DEVELOP BIG TIMBER TRACT

Further Developments in Connection With Virginia and Carolina Coast Railroad.

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NEW YORK, September 2.—Further developments are announced in connection with the Virginia and Carolina Const. Railroad enterprise of a syndicate headed by the banking house of Rudelph Kleybolte and Company, for the purpose of developing a timber tract of more than half a million acres in the North Carolina pine bolt.

With regard to the closing of the deal last Friday, whereby the syndicate took over the Sunfolk and Carolina Railway, at a price of \$1,500,000, it was stated by representatives of the syndicate that only two weeks ago they had also acquired the Pamileo, Oriental and Western Railrond. The two roads will be connected by a new line, the merged properties to bear the title of the Virginia and Carolina Coast Railroad.

Running from Sunfolk, Va., to Edenton, N. C., on Albemarie Sound, with a branch from Beekford to Elizabeth City, N. C., the Sunfolk and Carolina has a trackage of seventy-five miles. A new lumber road, one hundred and thirty-two miles in length, will be constructed from this line to connect with the newly acquired Pamileo, Oriental and Western, which is now under construction from Newbern, N. C., north to Washington, a distance of thirty-three miles.

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It is reported that the Norfolk and Southern Railroad, of which the new interests acquired control last May, may also in time become identified with the Virginia and Carolina Coust road.

AUGUST IN FIGURES.

Story of the Last Month of Sum mer By the Statistician.

Interesting data collected by the Weather Bureau about the behavior of the August just passed, is given as follows:

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Temperature.—Highest, 21, 4ate, 1st, 1cwest, 18, date, 19th; greatest daily rate, 21, date, 28th; least daily range, 2, date, 17th.

Presipitation.—Total this month, 4,0,1; rowill, 60; greatest precipitation in 24 lours, 1,75 date, 25th and 26th; snow on the ground at end of month, 0,0.

Wind.—Prevailing direction. South; to, 12 more end, 5,358 miles; average hourly ve octy, 8,9; maximum velocity (for sive pricates), 42 miles per hour, from West, 0,7 (th).

Weather.—Number of clear days, 9;

Weather. Number of clear days, 3; partly cloudy, 19; cloudy, 3; on which of inch, or more, of precipitation occurred, 11.

Miscellaneous Phenomena (date of).— Auroras, none; halos: none, lunar, 19th; hall, none; sleet, none; fog, 22d; thunder-storms, 3d, 7th, 19th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 23d, 25th; frost; light, none; heavy, none; killing, none.

MR. HARDY LEAVES.

A large number of his devoted friends

A large number of ms devoted fremses were at the station Thursday night to bid him good-bye, and as a token of their esteem presented him a purse of gold. He goes to his new field of labor with the best wishes of everybody with whom he came in contact while in Richmond.

BOND ELECTION.

Roker and Witten Company Decline to Discuss Reported Sale

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(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
MARTINSVILLE, VA., September 2.—
The town Council has ordered an election upon the question of an additional issue of 312,000 bonds to complete the principal electric power and lighting plant, which will be held on the 20th.

The officials of the Rucker and Witten Tobacco Company have declined to say anything with reference to the reported deal by which it becomes, through purchase by the R. J. Reynolds Company, of Winston, a branch of the American Tobacco Company.

The books of the commissioner of the revenue, just returned, show an increase

The books of the commissioner of the revenue, just returned, show an increase in the valuation of personal property for taxation of \$505,198, and the total is almost double that of a year ago. About \$220,009 of real estate values have also been added to the actual value of Martins-

FARMERS' NATIONAL CONGRESS. RICHMOND, VA., SEPTEMBER 12-22, 1905. REDUCED RATES VIA

One fare, plus twenty-five cents, for the round trip from all stations to Rich-mond, Va. Tickets on sale September 10th, 11th and 12th, good returning until September 25th, inclusive, continuous passage in each direction. To those at-tending above convention, low rate side rich Rickets will be sold from Richmond tending above convention, low rate side trip tickets will be sold from Richmond to all points in Southeast on September 15th and 16th, limited to reach Rich-mond returning until September 23d. In-Plusive. Apply to ticket agents, R., F. & P. R. R. W. P. TAYLOR,

Traffic Manager.

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ville property during the past tweive months, and there are now forly-five substantial houses in course of erection,

POISON CASE.

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Illicit Liquor Sellers Leave for Other Parts.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

JETERSVILLE, September 2.—Boncy Lipscomb, a colored well-digger of this place, died this afternoon after a few nours' liness from a supposed case of poisoning. The authorities will make an investigation. He leaves a wife and ten small children.

Charles Pitchford, a well known colored blacksmith, of this place, against whom there were four indictments for selling whiskey unlawfully, has left for parts unknown.

Along the Chickahominy.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch,)
PROVIDENCE FORGE, VA., Septem (Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
PROVIDENCE FORGE, VA. September 2.—Frank Carter, a colored man, was very scriously injured by a failing tree, while cutting logs in the Chickahominy Swamp a few days ago. His shoulders and ankle were badly crushed, and before Dr. Haxall, who was summoned immediately, could arrive, he had lost a great deal of blood.

Fish are unusually scarce. Fewer rock have been taken this season than any previous year, although they have been corely tempted by modern Waltons.

Game is commencing to show up a little. Squirrels are quite abundant, but Mr. "Skecter" keeps such a close vigil in the swamps that the sportsmen date not venture about much. Birds appear to be scarce, but no doubt when the great growth that covers the fallow land dies down they will be more in ovidence.

Mr. J. C. Pettus left Friday for his

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Mr. J. C. Pettus left Friday for his home, in Annapolis.
Mrs. Isabell Coleman is visiting frierds at Stirling.
Miss Salile Christian has returned from a pleasant visit to Newport News.
Mr. R. F. Coleman, of Richmond, Isdown for a few days, hunting and fishing

PREACH TO-DAY ON

(By Associated Press.) OHICAGO, September 2.—Practically every Presbyterian minister in the United every Presbyterian minister in the United States will preach to-morrow on some phase of the labor question as the result of an appeal from the department of church and labor of that denomination, which has its offices in Chicago. Besides these 7,000 Presbyterian preachers, thousands in other denominations have taken up the question, so that more labor sermons will be heard on Sunday than on any other day in the history of the church.

Cholera in Galicia.

(By Associated Press.)
WEICHSEL, SILESIA, September 2.—
The existence of cholera in two different districts of Galicia is confirmed by medical investigation. The local authorities fear a spread of the epidemic, as boatmen in floats are coming uninterruptedly down the Vistula River from the infected Prussian districts.

REPUBLICANS READY FOR A GREAT FIGHT

Big Rally to Be Held at King George Court-House.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

COMORN, VA., September 2.—It is now apparent and admitted on all sides that the statement in this correspondence some weeks ago to the effect that the Republicans in this and adjacent counties were, notwithstanding their unprecedented redeence, organizing as thoroughly, as at any time since the days of Mahone, was entirely correct. No one outside of that party knows how and when such fine work of organizing was done, but everybody knows that the party is thoroughly united, determined and hopeful. Their programme reems to be quite elaborate, and includes the opening of the State campring next Thursday at King George Courthouse. A number of the most prominent Republican speakers, including Judge L. L. Lewis, nominee for Governor, will meet at King George Courthouse on that day (September 7th), it is planned and zee, "shake hands" with and address the people, M. K. Lowry, of Stafford, the successor to Goes to Springfield, Mass.

Mr. C. W. Hardy, who has been physical director of the Young Men's Christian Association of this city for the past three years, left on Thursday night to accept the position of physical director in the Springfield, Mass., Association. The gymnasium work, under Mr. Hardy, reached its highest point of efficiency in the history of the Richmond Association. While Mr. Hardy was a strict disciplanarian on the floor of the gymnasium, he was at the same time universally popular with the boys and young men.

The gymnasium Bible class, under his direction, meeting on Sunday afternoon, grew from an average attendance of half a dozen, when he took charge, up to sixty and seventy-five men—one of the largest gymnasium Bible classes in the United States.

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other distinguished Democrats at K.ng George on that memorable 6th day of July-Just two months previous-will great the Republican candidates and speakers next Thursday.

It was thought by some and said whereout reservation that M. K. Lowry was the only Republican who could continue to defeat almost any Democratic candidate for the House of Delegates in King George and Stafford, and when he was recently appointed internal revenue cliector, the opinion was expressed that, with Lowry out of the way, the Democrats could elect their House candidate this fail.

But the Republicans seem to have no But the Republicans seem to have no doubt of electing their man again by nearly as much majority, they say, as they gave Lowry several times. One thing is certain-the Democrats here will not go to the polls at the November election as generally as will the Republicans, unless something can be done to induce them to turn out. There were formerly over 1,200 white voters in King George. Under the new Constitution there are only a fraction over 60 eligible white voters in the county-Democrats and the publicans combined. Of these only 126 voted in the recent primary slevillar, Some who yould an the primary will not you who voted in the primary will not vote in the November election. This state-ment is based on facts as they really ment is based on facts as they really exist, and not on guess work. So, it can be seen that the Republicans will be able to elect their man to the House of Delegates, unless something can be done to arouse the Democrats gas at them to the polls. Some who could comply with the requirements of the Constitution and be elligible voters have not done so, because some friend or neighbor has been disfranchised; and some claim to be "sore" over the primary system, and declare that they will not vote this fall. It is upon these conditions that the Republicans in this section of the State bare their hopes of success in November.

yember.
The farmers here are terribly handl-The farmers here are terribly handi-capped by the scarcity and treachery of labor. Some fields of spientid peachay and fodder are going to waste and being lost because labor cannot be had at any price to do farm work just now. In some places many tons of peachay and hundreds and hundreds of bushels of peas are being lost in the fields, and some of the farmers have not saved a bundle of fodder, although they have offered men and boys one dollar per day and board to work.

DELEGATES MEET FOR DISCUSSION

Feeling Pessimistic Over Prospect of Agreement On Question of Dissolution.

(By Associated Press.)

ICARLSTAID SWEDER, September 2.—

The Bwedish and Norweging delegates appointed to discus the dissolution of the union between Norway and Sweden held a long session to-day. Absolute secrecy was observed in regard to the proceeding.

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The feeling here this evening is that if the conference fails to reach an agreement within a week the negotiations are likely to be suddenly broken off.

The Norwegian delegates are not as optimistic as they were on their arrival here.

Premier Michelsen, of Norway, predicts that the negotiations will perhaps last for weeks.

WOMEN AND GIRL BURNED TO DEATH

(By Associated Press.)

LITTLETON, MASS., September 2.—
Two women and a little girl were burned to death to-night in a fire which destroyed a house owned by Warren Fletcher, at Littleton Common, two miles east of Littleton. Four other occupants of the house escaped. The victims were Mrs. Nancy Ninds, eighty years of age; Mrs. James Knox, aged fifty years, and a girl twelve years old, the granddaughter of Mrs. Ninds. The house was burned to the ground, and an adjoining dwelling, also owned by Fletcher, was badly damaged.

LABOR QUESTION FALLING INTO SEETHING PIT, CAUGHT HOLD WIRE

(By Associated Press.)
CHICAGO, September 2.—Nels Anderson, a motor inspector for the Illinois Steel Company, chose death by electrocution in preference to a more horrible fate in one of the company's seething metal pits to-day at the South Chicago works.

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Anderson was doing repair work on the arm of fa crane directly above one of the hot metal pits. A slight movement of the arm caused him to lose his balance. The only support within reach was an uninsulated live wire, which connected the crane with power. The doomed man gave one glance at the white hot matel below and caught the wire as he was falling. He was almost instantly killed.

EXPRESS CRASHES INTO CAR: FIFTEEN INJURED

SOUTH GARDINER, MAINE, September 2.—The second section of the Bar-Harbor Express, on the Maine Central Railroad, due here, bound eastward, at 2:45 A. M., crashed into the rear ear of the first section near the station here early to-day. The car was badly wrecked and about fifteen persons were hurt, one man seriously. The chief injuries are said to be from scalding by escaping steam from the locomotive. The injured were taken to Gardiner and Augusta. None of the cars left the track. The engineer and fireman of the second section were hurt, but not seriously. SOUTH GARDINER, MAINE, Septem

AMERICAN MAY BE ENGLISH CHAMPION

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, September 2.—Maher, the American jockey, is making a close race for the jockey championship of England for the present season. In fact, he already lends in the percentage of wins, his percentage being 27:33, against 22:10 for Wheatley, his nearest opponent. Since May 27th Maher has had 289 mounts, securing seventy-nine firsts, fifty-four seconds and thirty-four thirds. With 380 mounts, Wheatley secured eighty-four firsts, sixty-one seconds and forty-seven thirds. Maher rode seven winners during this week. ng this week.

THE CORN CROP.

The Greatest of All Crops and How to Improve It.

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(Special to The Times-Disputch.)

VIRGINIA EXPERIMENT STATION,
BLACKSBURG, VA., September 2.—That
corn can be grown profitably in Virginia
is shown by the fact that the value of
the crop per acre is \$11.55, whereas in
illinois, for a much larger yield, it is
only \$11.59. Therefore, by increasing the
yield through systematic cultivation and
fertilization, there is a decided profit in
sight for our farmers. The selection of
a variety and its adaptation to the soil
and climatic conditions in which it is to
be grown, will influence the yield of corn
decidedly. Ten varieties grown for three
years showed some of these remarkable
differences. The height varied from
50 to 115 Inches, the yield of green stover
from 5.80 to 9.09 tons, the yield from
26.95 to 46.87 bushels, the per cent, of
cob from 13.09 to 25.07 and the weight
ner bushel from 64.43 to 74.77 bushels.
Selecting the right variety is therefore
a matter of great importance, A mechanical selection of ten bushels of Leaming corn showed that only one-half of the
ears shelled out \$2.26 per cent, yet this
variety had been grown with more or less
care for several years.

Some of the thoroughbred ears shown
on the experimental plats the past season
shelled out \$1 to 92 per cent. Tha selection of an ear showing a high per cent,
of grain and a small per cent, of cob is
thus a matter of vital concern in the improvement of corn. The best type of
ear to use is one weighing from 12 to 14
ounces, having from 16 to 24 rows of
grain and an small per cent, of grain and an small per fear such constaining
two cars, 100 grains were
selected from 16 samples of corn and
weighed, with the following results. The
lightest weighed 26 grams, cr less than
one onnee; the heaviest 52 grams, or
almost two ounces. The variation in germination was represented by 53 and 100
per cent. Here, again, the question of
individual selection for type, shape,
weight and germinating power comes in
for consideration. —

depends first on the careful preparation and fertilization of the soil; second, on the selection of a suitable variety; third, on the systematic improvement of this variety, with regard to shape and type of ear, the size, height and character of the stalk and leaf, and the shape quality and condition of the grain. Any farmer, by making a careful selection from the best individual plants in his field from year to year, can secure a uniform type of ear, which will shell out a higher percent, of grain, show a flinter type of kernel and possessed of a desirable type of stalk, neither too large nor too small. By attention to these points, the yield of corn on Virginia farms can be increased from five to ten bushels per acre. Surely this is a reward worth striving for.

ANDRIEW M. SOLLE,

Dean and Director.

FOG AND SMOKE PALLS

BRING SHIPPING TO HALT (By Associated Press.)

MONTREAL, Sept. 2.—Fog, stranded vessels and smoke from forest fires have practically brought shipping to a stundstill between Montreal and the Gulf of St. Lawrence. The Allan liner, Victorian, is atranded at Cape Charles and the Leyland liner, Virginian, is ashore at Crane Island, below Quebec.

Reports from points along the river tell of one of the worst fogs and smoothed the standard of the control of the control of the worst fogs and smoothed for many years. The forest fires raging for miles along either shore on the lower St. Lawrence have spread a dense cloud of smoke over the country, which, added to the fog, makes navigation very difficult.

JEROME WILL NOT BE CANDIDATE FOR MAYOR

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, September 2.—In a statement issued at his home in Lakeville, Conn. tonight, District Attorney Jerome, mentioned as a Citizens' Union candidate for Mayor of New York in the

coming election, said:
"I will not, under any circumstances, be a candidate for the office of Mayor at the forthcoming election."

In a previous statement, Mr. Jerome said he desired to be an independent candidate for re-election to the district electrometric.

ANDREW J. GOING SHOOTS HIMSELF FATALLY

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) LYNCHBURG, VA., September 2.-Andrew J. Going, aged sixty years, living on Dearing Street, this city, living on Dearing Street, this city, shot himself this evening about 8 o'clock with suicidal intent. At a late hour no hopes were entertained for his recovery. The ball penetrated the right side of his abdomen and passed entirely through the body. The wounded man had been out of work, and a recent death in his family, coupled with trouble at home, are ascribed as the reason for the rash act. rash act.

BRILLIANT LIGHT ROSE FROM SAMD ON BEACH

(By Associated Press.)

KITTERYPOINT, MAINE, September

2.—A phenomenon, which is attributed by
many persons to the recent carthquakes in Maine and New Hampshire, was observed on the beach directly in front of a local summer hotel during last night. When the tide was half way in, a brilliant white light covering the whole beach rose from the sand to a height of about six inches. At the same time a strong sulphurous odor was emitted from the same locality, it being so offensive that it was necessary to close tightly all doors and windows of the hotel. The light and odor lasted for about two hours, disappearing with the full tide.

Sheldon Wins.

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, September 2.—Dr. George
H. Sheidon, of the Missouri A. C., of St.
Louis, won the diving championship of
the United States at Travers Island this afternoon. It was one of the greates competitions ever seen in this country and after the last dive, it took the judges twenty minutes to decide on the winner. Walter Lee, of the New Jersey Athletic Club, pushed Sheldon hard, but was beaten three points.

Bowls Championship.

(By Associated Press.)
FASIL RIVER, MASS., September 2.—
The Bowls championship of the United States, together with the cup symbolic of the same to-day, passed from Fall River to Kearney, N. J. The Kearney Bowling Green Club won the trophy match by a score of 59 to 58.

TAFT FETED BY

Secretary of War and Party, Including Miss Roosevelt, Reach Hongkong.

(By Associated Press.)

HONGKONG, September 2.-Secretary of War Taft and his party, included among which is Miss Alice Roosevelt, have arrived here. The party will re-

main three days.

The Governor of Hongkong, Sir Mat-thew Nathan, and the British colony are feting the visitors, The visit of Secretary Taft to Canton has been abandoned, owing to the anti-American feeling there, the city being posted with obnexious placards.

STAINBACK DIES WITHOUT BECOMING CONSCIOUS

His Paralysis Due to Excessive Cigarette Smok-

ing.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) WELDON, N. C., September 2 .- W. D. WELDON, N. C., September 2.—W. D. Stainback, the young man who was found in a comatose condition near Suffolk, Va., on Wednesday, was brought to home here last right. He died this morning at half-past 7 o'clock without ever having vegalned consciousness. He was a splenned young man, and for some time was in the service of the Scaboard Air Line Ruilroad.

The addest f ature of the case is that

Air Line Rullroad,

The addest fature of the case is that
he passed down into the valley of the
shadow of death and crossed the dark
stream all unconscious of the fact that
he was at home; that loving hands
pressed his brow, and that sympathtic
friends of his boyhood days stood ground
his bler.

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The permanent improvement of corn

QUERIES ANDANSWERS

NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS

Do not ask but one question on a single plece of paper unless they are in a series and directly related.
Do not ask any question the answer to which involves an advertisement. We cannot tell where articles can be bought and sold and we cannot tell the value of old coins.

Mr. Swanson's Address.

Editor of The Times-Dispatch; Sir,-Can you give me Claude A. Swanson's address? Chatham, Va.

A Bushel of Meal. Editor of The Times-Dispatch; Sir,—To settle a dispute, how many pounds of meal make a lawful bushel by the laws of Virginia? H. J. K. Fifty pounds.

The Governors.

Editor of The Times Dispatch:

Sir, Please answer in your Queries
and Answers in the next issue what is
the name of the Governor in each of
the United States. If not, as many as
you can.

A READER. The list has recently been published in this column.

School Trustee's Relatives.

Editor of The Times-Dispatch:
Sir.—Will you please answer in your query column if it is lawful for a public school trustee to employ his niece or his wife's sister to teach in the public schools ARBADER. A READER. of Virginia? There is nothing in the law forbid

The Jap Yen.

ding It.

Editor of The Times-Dispatch:
Sir.—Please state in your Query Column
of next Sunday the value of the Japances "yen" in United States money, and
oblige.
A CONSTANT READER. The Century Dictionary says it practically about the value of our gold dollar. It is the Japanese unit of value.

Crickets and Roaches.

Editor of The Times-Dispatch:
Sir.-Will you kindly give a remedy
for "mildew," also a remedy or praventative for crickets? They are so annoy. ing about cutting paper from wall kingly oblige A SUBSCRIBER. Lingly oblige A SUBSURIBER.

Lemon juice and salt will take out Equal parts of Paris green, mlidew. borax and pulverized sugar will destroy

An Unknown Author.

Editor of The Times-Dispatch:
Sir.-Will you please inform me through
the Query Column who wrote the book.
"Why? or Tried in the Crueble." and
when first published? A constant read-"Why? or Tried in the Crucible" is

by Mrs. D. S. Sherwin. Publishers, Jas. H. Earle, 178 Washington Street, Boston, Mass.

Sulphur and Fruits.

Editor of The Times Dispatch:
Sir, -I have been a reader of your paper for years and think it a fine paper.
I have never sent any quarter. Sir.—I have never sent any queries before. I have never sent any queries before. Please publish these in your next week's they are very important: How paper, as they are very important is fruit put up raw by the use of sul phur? CONSTANT READER. Sulphur will preserve raw fruit, but it is not advisable to use it on account of

Nurses' Settlement.

Editor of The Times-Dispatch:
Sir,-Will you give me some information concerning the Nurses' Settlement, on South Seventh Street, of the object and nature of it, and its benefit to the nurses of Richmond, also, if it is a place of registering for under-graduates?

B. L.

Write to Miss S. H. Cabannis, head nurse of the association, at No. 108 North Seventh Street, Richmond, Va., and she will give you all desired information.

Tomato Canning.

Editor of The Times-Dispatch: Sir,-You will please answer in your Query Column, what will purify tomatoes, keep them from puffing the cans? and A PRIEND. A FRIEND.

Tomatoes will keep pure and not "puff the cans" if they are properly put up in the first instance. If the cans are not properly sealed and properly steamed in the first instance, the tomatoes will spoil and puff the cans, and nothing will save them.

Cleaning Carpets On the Floor. Editor of The Times-Dispatch: Sir,-Will you please publish in your next Sunday query column how I can clean a carpet on the floor, and oblige,

OLD SUBSCRIBER.

There is a soap made called "Sea Foam" that is recommended very highly for cleaning carpets on the floor.

The carpet cleaners also have a preparation that they use for the same purpose, but we do not know what it is.

The Commissioner of Agriculture

The Commissioner of Agriculture
Penola, Aug. 25, 1905.
Editor of The Times-Dispatch:
Sir,-Please inform me through your
paper in query column Commissioner
Koiner's address; also where I can find
a book on Virginia and her resources,
and all information about Virginia; also
the price of the books.
Respectfully,
E. O. D. WARNER.

G. W. Koiner, Commissioner of Agricul-ture, Richmond, Va. He can probably furnish the other information desired.

Th Old-Time "Thrasher."

Editor of The Times-Dispatch;
Sir.-Please tell me in your Query Column the name of the old thrash box before the separator came into ure, Lennig, Va.

The old-fashioned wheat cleaning out-

fit consisted of a "thrasher" and a "fan," four good horses for motive power and a strong-lunged negro, who could "hollow" and "pop a whip" loud enough to be heard above the din and wh'rr of the noisy machinery,

To Whom It May Concern.

Editor of The Times-Dispatch:
Sir.-Please say to the father of the
15-year-old girl, whore inquiry for a
home for the latter was in The TimesDispatch of the 16th, that an excellent
home, with every reasonable comfort

and training for the battle of life, may be had for her in the family of a child-less couple, who are in good circum-stances and are most highly esteemed and God-fearing people. For further par-ticulars address Mrs. James R. Brooke, Pane's Crossroads, Va.

Durant, Choctaw Nation, Indian Territory, Aug. 23, 1905.

Indian Territory, Aug. 23, 1005.

Editor of The Times-Dispatch:

Sir,-Will some party in the Bine Ridge country, where English pheasants are found, please inform a constant reader of query column from whom could be procured two pairs or two settings of eggs, to be hatched by bantam hehs? By so doing greatly oblige,

CONSTANT READER.

United States Pheasantry, Poughkeepsle, New York; Dr. Clarke, Maysville, Miss. Sumpoon's Pheasant Farm, Corvallis, Oregon.

Dogs As Personal Property.

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Octagon, Va., Aug., 1905.

Editor of The Times-Dispatch:

Bir.—Kindly inform me through your query column of next weekly issue whether or not a person has a right to put food which has been poisoned around their homes for the purpose of killing any one's dog which may happen to ent such food, and what might by law be done with such person.

By section 499a of the Code dogs are made personal property, and the subject.

made personal property, and the subject of larceny, trespass, etc. It would there-fore seem that the same laws are applicable to their destruction, etc., as to that of other personad property. Code regulates very fully the subjec of dogs.

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Editor of The Times-Dispatch:
Sir,--Where one receives an invitation
in the usual form to a night church
wedding and enclosed with the invitation is an engraved card stating the time
and place of the reception following the
wedding, and in the corner of the card
the lettera "R. £ v. p." how should the
recipient of this invitation respond? I
should be glad to know the proper form
for accepting and for declining the invitation to the reception.

COUNTRYMAN.

The letters "R. s. v. p." call for an
immediate acceptance or declination. Let
either the one or the other be simply

either the one or the other be simply phrased and in a few words, such as, "I accept with pleasure your invitation" for the date indicated, or "I regret not to be able to accept your invitation."

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Editor of The Times Dispatch:

* Sir,-Will you kindly publish the answer to the following question in your Query Column of your next issue:

1. Has a physician the right to open a drug store in a town of 1.50 inhabitants and fill any physician's prescriptions without a registered pharmacist in charge of the store? By answering this you will oblige A SUBSCRIBER.

Section 1759 of the Code of 1904 provides that "in rural districts and in towns that "In rural districts and in towns having a population of fifteen hundred or less, any physician regularly licensed under the laws of Virginia may act as a pharmacist without examination, but subject to such registration and renewal as is provided for in this act," If you desire any further information, write to Mr T. A. Miller, secretary of the State Board of Pharmacy, Richmond, Va.

Grape Wine.

Will you give a recipe for making grape wine without sugar? I have the grapes ready and wish to know how to proceed. Send me also a recipe for claret wine.

To make grape wine without sugar Add a quart of water to six quarts of thoroughly ripe grapes, picked from the stems and crushed. Let the grapes come slowly to a boll, strain through a thick cloth and return to the fire. When the juice reaches the boiling point, turn into glass jars from which the air has been excluded, fill and scal at once. Use porcelain kettle and wooden spoon. Keep in a cool, dry place.

For claret wine: Crush grapes, fully ripe, in a cider press. Stiain through a bag and put in a clean whiskey barrel or cask, to ferment. Put a piece of netting or fine wire gauze over the bung hole. Leave it alone for three or four weeks, then draw off the clear wine and bottle or put it in a cask. The condition of the grapes has a great deal to do with the quality of the wine.

Armies and Navies.

Perth, Va., Aug. 25, 1905.
Editor of The Times-Dispatch;
Sir,-Please answer the following questions through your paper;
1. What nation is the best equipped for war on land and sea?
2. The number of ships in the United States navy-battleships, cruisers, gunboats, torpedo and submarine boats?

1. England has the largest navy. Just at this date possibly Japan has the larg-

but other nations-the United States, for instance, could on very short notice put in the field a larger one, 2. The United States navy is as follows:

est and best equipped army in the field.

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Bookkeeping.

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No. 1-A. B and C are partners. In the absence of B and C, A takes a note for \$550, which B and C say is doubtful. B sells his interest in it to C for \$3 1-5 discount. C then sells his entire interest in it to C for \$3 1-5 discount. C then sells his entire interest. Make correct journal entry for above.

No. 2-A. B and C are partners. A takes a note for \$550 which B d'sapproves. B sells his interest in it to C for 30 per cent. discount. C then sells his interest in it to C for 30 per cent. discount. B sells his interest in it to C for 30 per cent. discount. D sells it back to the firm of A. B and C for his account due them, amounting to \$700. Journalize entry without affecting hills recalvable account from original charge.

According to Profestor Graham, of Smithdeal Commercial Collyge, the following are the solutions:

No. 1-B's interest in the note is \$23 33+to sells to C at a loss of \$94.44+.

To secure himself against total loss he sells to C at a loss of \$94.44+.

Journal entry:

By this transaction C insures B against loss. C now owns two-th-risk interest, and the employees will probably and the firm of the analysis of \$95.000.

Miss Grace Arents, who was operated on at 11 A. M. Thursday for appendicting the probably and the firm of the fi

nremium. Premium of \$566.06 is \$26.38.

Journal entry:
D.....\$26.83

To C.....\$26.33

The transfer of C's interest is cutiled as a memorandum until note is settled or turned into the loss account.

If the note is paid, D will still loss \$28.33. If the note is falshonored, the amount \$800.18 carried to the loss account, and thence distributed among A, B and C. But to adjust accounts agreemble to the transfer of interest as arranged, the following entry is made:

D.....\$860.69

To B.....\$138.80

C.....\$77.77

This secures to B freedom from loss of two-thirds of his interest and throws all the loss on A and D.

No. 2— B.....\$85

B sells his interest to C at 39 per cent, discount.

discount.

C.....\$325

To A.....\$325

C sells his entire interest at 75 per

cent. discount.

D.....469)

A.....170

To bills rec.....\$850

A sells the note to D at 20 per cent.

Bills Rec.....\$850

Dills 1600.....\$550 1 Down to note for \$550 and sells back the same doubtful note to the curious trio for \$700 in liquidation of his debt.

RICHMOND EXCURSION. A Delightful Juvenile Entertainment at Horn Quarter.

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(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

WEST POINT, VA., Beptember 2.—
Thursday night a special party from the Millor and Rhoads Employes Aid Society came on the Twillight excursion, an hour later than usual and very much endoyed the supper and dancing at Beach Park, returning at 10:39 P. M.

Mrs. Morgan Treat entertained her friends recently in Lonor of Miss Patile Saunders Green, of Norfolk. Mr. William Lafferty and Mr. Creed Owens, of Crozet, Albemarle county, were guests of Mrs. Treat during the week.

Mr. Morgan Treat, United States district marshall, and family will take an extended pleasure trip carly in September to New York and Far-Rockaway, Long Island, and to visit Mrs. Treat's brothers en route.

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Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Lipscomb will celebrate on Monday. September 4th, the fiftleth anniversary of their marriage. Mr. and Mrs. Lipscomb are greatly loved in the town and county.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry B. Smith, of "Hora Quarter," King William county, entertained delightfully this week in honor of their little son, Master Forrester Smith, and a number of his friends from the neighborhood and Richmond. The little guests were met at the nearest station in a coach gayly decorated with waying green corn tassels and golden rod, the horsest being driven with white reins, with rosettes of yellow ribbons on their bridles.

Bestde, the coachman, a buster, in

green corn tassels and golden rod, the horses being driven with white relas, with rosettes of yellow ribbons on their bridles.

Beside the coachman, a bugler, in costume of greeen and white, made the air resound and added greatly to the enjoyment of the little folks. All sorts of out-of-door sports were engaged in, and "Teddy Rooseveit," Master Forrester's pony, was called into requisition and riden around the lawn, delighted the children. Refreshments were served on the lawn. Table decorations in yellow, green and white were artistically carried out, sprays of oats and sunflowers elaborating the idea of harvest and plenty. An immense sunflower bowl in the center, filled with luscious fruits, had yellow ribbons radiating to each cover, where the sunflower rosetted them in place.

The ribbons pulled when the fete was ended, and from the bowl came forth a diality souveils for each guest. A boat, carved from a watermelen and flying a patriotic pennant above its carge of golden green grapes and bananas, was among the unique decorations; pickles reposed in corn-cob canoes, and lees were eaten from musk melon saucers.

The guests from Richmond were William and Addison Hagan, Carroll and Whitman Lathrod, Harry Spencer, Jr., John and Springer Gray, Mary McKenzie, of Atlee, Va.; John and Mary Oravett, Alva Moran, lone and Dixon Colline, Mattle Builock, Julian and Barton Woolfolk, Vincent and Guy Ansell, Buford Beach, Katherine and Josephine Miston, William and Howard Taylor, f, rom the medighorhood.

Ex-Judge John G. Dew passed through West Point Tuesday, returning to Richmond, after a visit to relatives in his home county, King and Queen.

Captain R. C. Coleman and daughter, Mrs. J. Presley Williams, Captain and Mrs. Van Name, of Gloucester, greeted friends during the week in West Point.

Dr. Robert S. Horton, of North Carolling, Mark Hostol O'Conner.

Miss Ruth Smoot, of Washington, will arrive Monday to visit Mrs. W. R. Broaddus.

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Mr. and Mrs. Roy Beasley, of Chase illy, paid a flying visit to Mrs. Beasley's nee Blanch Taylor) parents the past ceak

week.
Miss Kate Folkes has returned to her home in Gloucester, after a pleasant visit home in Gloucester after a pleasant visit to her brother, Dr. L. S. Polkes. Mr. Benjamin Hess, who has been a citizen of West Point for many years, has left for Baltimore, where he will lohas left for latimore, each cate.

Great preparations are making to celebraic Labor Day at West Point. That will be the last day of the season at Beach Park. Excursions are expected from Richmond, Norfolk and vicinity and from other directions. The last twitisht excursion will run Monday night.

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The eighteen members of the Richmond and West End Gun Clubs were doomed to dissippoint ment yesterday eyealing by the continuit dewnpour of rain, which prevented the five-men team from each elub shooting a race of fifty targets. In the regular shoot at fifty targets the shooting a race of fifty targets, in the regular shoot at fifty targets the shooting a race of fifty targets. In the regular shoot at fifty targets the shooting a race of shooting a race of fifty targets. In the regular shoot at fifty targets in the regular shoot of the showers, and the scores were unfinished.

As a last resort to satisfy the pent up desire to break a few 'mud pies,' a squad of five stood understead and shot at ten pair doubles, thrown from the hand of one of the members. MacLelland easily account which is excellent shooting mere these conditions.

About twenty-five of Richmond's best shots with a special time of the shooting in the test of the shooting over the Chesapeake and Ohio to surpass all previous shoots.

The five-men team to represent the West End Club to contest for the K50 toy larg eng is stronger than ever before. In a practice event of 125 targets as Thursday the remarkable score of line was made. The team will also put a strong team in the field, composed of the following the fine and Club will also put a strong team in the field, composed of the following hid for the next meet to be held in this city.

Lightning Strikes Factory,

COULDN'T STOP THEM.